Arts Committee

Tuesday, September 25th, 2018 - 9am-10am Wicker Park Bucktown Chamber of Commerce - 1414 N. Ashland Ave.

In attendance:

David Ginople (Chair), Sam Marts, Dan Murphy, Alma Wieser, Annie Coleman, Mary Antonakos, Garrett Karp (SSA Program Manager), Alice Howe (SSA Program Specialist), Jordan Miller (Arts & Social Media Admin)

Guests: Lela Dyrkacz & Zygmunt Dyrkacz (Chopin Theatre), Darian Hallagan (Bucktown Community Organization)

- 1. Jordan's report
 - a) Updates on Hebru Brantley Mural, Window Works Applications, opening reception for Wicker Tree & Workers Cottage, WPBarts.com is live
- 2. Update on Mike Helbing's letter/invoice re: additional support for Wicker Tree
 - a) Already approved by Commission
- 3. Chopin Theatre book project grant proposal deferral from Promote Committee
 - a) Lela D. presents application for book project with photos and stories from Chopin Theatre from 1918-2018
 - b) The committee members are all supportive of the concept of the book project, but in order to decide whether it qualifies for SSA funding they would like:
 - 1. To see some initial storyboards, outlines, and/or planning documents guiding the development of the book
 - 2. To see more details regarding the personnel behind creating and editing of content for the book (i.e. authors, editors, photography and whether SSA funds should go towards hiring outside help)
 - 3. To know how many books will be donated to neighborhood organizations (including how many books will be donated directly to SSA #33 to distribute within the community for free)
 - 4. To see a plan for SSA #33's logo be featured prominently along with sponsors and/or contributors to the book (for reference, most SSA-funded community programs through Promote Committee grants list the SSA as a "Sponsor," while most SSA-sponsored artwork through the Arts Committee is assumed to be owned by SSA #33, and by extension the public/city)
- 4. Hebru Brantley mural update and funding
 - a) Already approved by Commission

- 5. Wicker Park Fountain Restoration Requests
 - a) \$40,000 already approved by Commission
- 6. Window Works review proposals and discuss properties
 - a) Two proposals accepted for curation
 - 1. Russell Muits Storm Print City
 - 2. Liam Wilson
 - b) One proposal tabled
 - 1. Jeanette Andrews proposed work for next year to be revisited
 - c) One proposal turned down
 - 1. Rachel Visalda does not live or practice in the Chicago area
- 7. SSA Mural Initiative review proposals and discuss properties
 - a) Committee members would like clarification and new rendering from both artists before making final decisions
 - 1. David Heo needs more complete drawing with potentially altered figure
 - 2. Damon Lamar Reed need clarification on proposed rendering
- 8. Bucktown Community Organization
 - b) Darian discusses mural project for side of library (Wabansia & Milwaukee) and asks how SSA should get involved (they'd ideally like a 1/3 split with BCO, SSA & public)
 - c) Committee and staff not entirely sure if this should go through Promote or Arts
 Committee GK/AH/JM will try to find the correct process for this and other
 potential mural projects that don't fit our current model